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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 4, 6, 7, 12 and 15, and amend the claims as follows:

(Currently Amended) A computer method comprising:
providing a demand database comprising a compendium of individual demand
history;

providing a supply database comprising a compendium of at least one of product stockpile management solutions, product stockpile information, and product stockpile diagnostics;

employing a data mining technique for interrogating said demand database and said supply database for generating an output data stream, said output data stream correlating a demand problem with a supply solution;

updating at least one of said demand database and said supply database; and refining the data mining technique in cognizance of pattern changes embedded in said demand database and said supply database as a consequence of updating the at least one of said demand database and said supply database.

- 2. (Canceled)
- 3. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim $\underline{1}$ 2, wherein the updating the demand database comprises considering the results of employing a data mining technique.
- 4. (Canceled)
- 5. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1 [[4]], wherein said updating the supply database comprises considering the effects of the employing the data mining technique on the demand database.
- 6. (Canceled)
- 7. (Canceled)

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- 8. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein the employing the data mining technique comprises employing neural networks as the data mining technique.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A program storage device readable by machine, tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by the machine to perform a method for providing an interactive product stockpile management database, the method comprising:

providing a demand database comprising a compendium of individual demand history;

providing a supply database comprising a compendium of at least one of product stockpile management solutions, product stockpile information, and product stockpile diagnostics;

employing a data mining technique for interrogating said database and said supply database for generating an output data stream, said output data stream correlating a demand problem with a supply solution;

updating at least one of said demand database and said supply database; and refining the data mining technique in cognizance of pattern changes embedded in said demand database and said supply database as a consequence of updating the at least one of said demand database said supply database.

10. (Currently Amended) A computer comprising:

means for inputting a demand database comprising a compendium of individual demand history;

means for inputting a supply database comprising a compendium of at least one of product stockpile management solutions, product stockpile information, and product stockpile diagnostics;

means for employing a data mining technique for interrogating said demand database and said supply database;

means for generating an output data stream, said output data stream correlating a demand problem with a supply solution;

means for updating at least one of said demand database and said supply database; and

means for refining the data mining technique in cognizance of pattern changes

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embedded in said demand database and said supply database as a consequence of updating the at least one of said demand database and said supply database.

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- 11. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 9, further comprising: wherein said updating said supply database comprises updating the supply database to include the effects of employing the data mining technique on the demand database.
- 12. (Canceled)
- 13. (Currently Amended) A product stockpile management system, comprising:
 - a demand database comprising individual demand history;
 - a supply database comprising product stockpile resources;
- a data mining module that accesses said demand database and said supply database for generating an output data stream, said output data stream correlating a demand problem with a supply solution;

an updating unit that updates at least one of said demand database and said supply database; and

a refining unit refines the data mining <u>module</u> technique in cognizance of pattern changes

embedded in said demand database and said supply database as a consequence of updating the at least one of said demand database and said supply database.

- 14. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 13, wherein said product supply resources comprise a compendium of at least one of product stockpile management solutions, product stockpile information, and product stockpile diagnostics.
- 15. (Canceled)
- 16. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 13, wherein the data mining module comprises a neural network.
- 17. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 13, further comprising:

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means for adding a product to a recommended product stockpile if the system determines there is a match between a classification of a demand feature from the demand database and a classification of a demand feature from the supply database.

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- 18. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim 13 15, wherein the output data stream is fed as a subsequent input to update at least one of the demand database, the supply database, and the data mining module.
- 19. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, further comprising: adding a product to a recommended product stockpile if the data mining technique determines there is a match between a classification of a demand feature from the demand database and a classification of a demand feature from the supply database.
- 20. (Previously Presented) The computer of claim 10, wherein said means for generating an output data stream adds a product to a recommended product stockpile if the means for employing a data mining technique determines there is a match between a classification of a demand feature from the demand database and a classification of a demand feature from the supply database.
- 21. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim 13 15, wherein the system adds a product to a recommended product stockpile if the system determines there is a match between a classification of a demand feature from the demand database and a classification of a demand feature from the supply database.
- 22. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 19, wherein said classification comprises a neural-network classification.
- 23. (Previously Presented) The computer of claim 20, wherein said classification comprises a neural-network classification.
- 24. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 21, wherein said classification comprises a neural-network classification.